

REGULAR MEETING OF THE OACOMA TOWN BOARD
February 5, 2024

The Oacoma Town Board met in regular session at 7:00 P.M. on February 5, 2024, in Meeting Room #2 at the Oacoma Community Center. Board members present were Gary Dominiack, President; Richard Kirkpatrick, Vice President; Kyle Fuchs; Justin Rabern; and Robin Hutmacher. Also present were Valerie Moore, Finance Officer; Desi Hettick, Deputy Finance Officer; Jona Ohm, Middle America Communication Solutions; and Catland Landegent, Chamberlain Police Dept.

MINUTES

Motion by Fuchs, second by Kirkpatrick, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on January 15, 2024.
Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Time was reserved for public comments pursuant to SDCL 1-25-1. No comments were offered.

POLICE REPORT

Police Sergeant Catland Landegent provided the 2023 fourth quarter police report for Oacoma and noted response to twenty-four case reports. Officers issued eight citations with nine violations and ten warnings with eleven violations.

SOCIAL MEDIA REPORT

Jona Ohm, Middle America Communication Solutions, provided fourth quarter statistics on the Visit Oacoma S.D. Facebook page. Ohm reported the page reached 26,500 viewers during the fourth quarter compared to 55,867 viewers during the third quarter. Sponsored ads reached 39,550 viewers during the fourth quarter compared to 23,446 viewers during the third quarter. The page currently has 420 followers and Ohm's goal is to increase it to 500 followers.

CONSUMPTION PERMIT

Motion by Kirkpatrick, second by Rabern, to approve an application from the Paralyzed Veterans of America for a consumption permit on May 23, 2024, at the OCC for the organization's annual fishing tournament social and supper. Motion carried.

SET PUBLIC HEARING

The date of February 19, 2024, at 7:00 P.M. was set for a public hearing to consider Resolution 2024-02 for collection of payment for costs related to a 2023 nuisance abatement project.

RECORDS DESTRUCTION

Motion by Hutmacher, second by Fuchs, for municipal records to be destroyed according to the Records Retention and Destruction Schedule. Motion carried. The list of destroyed records will be kept on file at the Finance Office.

OFFICE EQUIPMENT PURCHASE

Motion by Kirkpatrick, second by Hutmacher to authorize up to \$2000 for new computer, monitor, and cell phone for the finance office. Motion carried.

OTHER DISCUSSION

Rabern reported that SD Dept. of Game, Fish, and Parks sponsors a Recreation Trails Program (RTP) which may assist with funding to rehabilitate existing trails in the Oacoma flats area. RTP grants are provided as reimbursements for up to 80% of project costs and the application deadline is April 15, 2024. More information will be obtained, and submission of an application will be considered at a later date.

Rabern suggested that construction of a three-season picnic shelter on the former town hall property on West Main Street may be a suitable use for the property. Brief discussion continued but no decisions or recommendations were made.

PAY BILLS

The following bills were approved for payment: Payroll: Gov Board-1150.00, Finance-12,152.40, Streets-7786.32, Sewer-4308.95, Water-6829.58; Cemetery-194.75; OCC-687.50; Valerie Moore, recording fees-34.94; Ace Hardware, shop supplies-380.91; Banner Associates, engineering fees-2941.50; Bomgaars, supplies-220.40; Burke Oil, propane-443.04; Byre Bros, garbage service-\$138.00; Cardmember Services, credit card charges for postage, ice, supplies, clothing allowance-380.90; Central Dakota Times, publishing-484.23; Chamber of Commerce/CVB, subsidy-3188.00; CHS Post Prom Committee, donation-100.00; Core & Main, water meters-1115.04; GF Advertising Services, billboard lease-1310.00; Hawkins Inc., chemicals-1923.22; IRS, payroll tax-8131.56; Lyman Co Register of Deeds, recording fees-60.00; Middle America Communication Solutions, social media services-650.00; Midstate Communications, phone & internet-416.79; Napa Auto Parts, oil filter-12.99; Office Products Center, office supplies-77.69; SD DANR, exam fee-60.00; SD Public Health Lab, lab samples-133.00; SD Retirement System, contributions-2376.92; SD Supplemental Retirement Plan-615.00; Servall, janitorial supplies-290.36; Verizon Wireless, phones & ipad-165.77; Wall Drug Store, Inc., billboard lease-200.00; WEERC, lab samples-89.00; Wellmark, insurance-799.97; West Central Electric, utilities-7385.01.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Hutmacher, second by Rabern, to adjourn. Motion carried. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 19, 2024, beginning at 7:00 P.M. in Meeting Room #2 at the Oacoma Community Center.

Gary Dominiack, President

Valerie J. Moore, Finance Officer

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